

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims:

1-29. (Cancelled)

30. (Currently Amended) A remediation method comprising the steps of:

~~conducting remediation activities at a site where a biological attack may have occurred;~~

establishing an exclusion zone with restricted access thereto, wherein the exclusion zone includes the site of the suspected biological attack;

establishing a contamination reduction zone adjacent to the exclusion zone, wherein a person entering the exclusion zone or exiting from the exclusion zone does so through the contamination reduction zone, and wherein the contamination reduction zone has located therein means for decontaminating personal protective equipment worn by the person exiting the exclusion zone;

establishing a support zone adjacent to the contamination reduction zone, wherein the support zone is a clean zone and wherein the support zone includes dressing facilities and equipment; ~~and~~

delivering a decontaminant within the site of the suspected biological attack; and

monitoring weather conditions at the site.

31. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 30, wherein the weather conditions comprise wind speed.

32. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 30, wherein the weather conditions comprise wind direction.

33. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 30, wherein the weather conditions comprise ambient outside temperature.

34. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 30, wherein the weather conditions comprise ambient relative humidity.

35. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 30, wherein the weather conditions comprise barometric pressure.

36. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 30, further comprising the step of establishing conditions of readiness based on the monitored weather conditions.

37. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 30, wherein the weather conditions comprise lightning.

38. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 36, wherein the step of establishing conditions of readiness further comprises the steps of:

establishing a fifth condition of readiness based on a likelihood that the destructive winds may impair the remediation activities within 96 hours;

establishing a fourth condition of readiness based on a likelihood that the destructive winds may impair the remediation activities within 72 hours;

establishing a third condition of readiness based on a likelihood that the destructive winds may impair the remediation activities within 48 hours;

establishing a second condition of readiness based on a likelihood that the destructive winds may impair the remediation activities within 24 hours;

establishing a first condition of readiness based on a likelihood that the destructive winds may impair the remediation activities within 12 hours.